

## 8.24.020 – Approved containers

1. Types of approved containers.

1. Containers to be used for the collection of refuse shall be:

1. Pre-paid disposable refuse bags, exclusively supplied by the City's residential refuse hauler, bearing a logo as depicted in Exhibit A, not less than 1.4 mil gauge plastic, and not exceeding a total weight when filled of fifty (50) pounds; or
2. Tightly covered containers made of non-corrodible materials which are water-tight, do not exceed thirty-two (32) gallons in capacity and do not exceed a total weight when filled of fifty (50) pounds must be lined with a pre-paid refuse bag or have a prepaid refuse sticker or bag looped through the handle of the container. Said containers shall have secure handles for lifting and carrying; or
3. Ninety (90) or sixty (60) gallon mobile toters provided exclusively by the City's contracted residential refuse hauler, clearly marked "Refuse Only."

2. Containers to be used for the collection of yardwaste shall be:

1. Pre-paid disposable yardwaste bags, constructed of natural Kraft paper, clearly marked with the City logo and "Yardwaste Only" and exclusively supplied by the City's contracted residential refuse hauler; or
2. Generic disposable yardwaste bags, constructed of natural Kraft paper, with one (1) refuse sticker securely affixed; or
3. Ninety (90) or sixty (60) gallon mobile toters, clearly marked for "Yardwaste Only" provided exclusively by the City's contracted refuse hauler.  
(Ord. 2013-M-42 § 1.)

3. Containers to be used for the collection of recyclable materials ("Recycle Bins") shall be made of non-corrodible, recycled materials, and shall be made available through the City at cost, and through the City's contracted residential refuse hauler, one per newly constructed household, at no charge to the resident.

2. Disposal in containers required

For single-family dwellings and multi-family dwelling units, it is unlawful to dispose of any recyclable material, garbage and rubbish or compostable material anywhere in the city except through placement of such material in the types of approved containers described in Sec. 8.24.020(A), and placed for collection as herein prescribed. The fee for such collection at single-family and multi-family dwelling units shall be such as is set from time to time by the city council. For commercial, industrial, school and other nonresidential establishments, it is unlawful to dispose of any garbage, refuse, compostable material, or recyclable material anywhere in the city except in an incinerator or disposal device, properly constructed and operated by a lawfully established garbage or refuse pickup service.

3. Commingling prohibited

No compostable material or garbage and rubbish (other than recyclable material) shall be placed in any recycling bin.

No garbage and rubbish or recyclable material shall be placed in any containers designated for compostable materials (as defined in Section 8.24.020(2)).

4. Replacement of recycling bins

Any damage to or loss of recycling bins shall be reported to the St. Charles Police Department by the primary user of the recycling bins or by the person responsible for the damage or loss within 24 hours of the damage or

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loss. The cost to repair or replace recycling bins damaged or lost due to negligence shall be borne by the person responsible for the damage or loss.

### 5. Title to containers

All recycling bins and toters shall remain the property of the City and the City's refuse contractor, respectively, and shall not be removed from the property on which the dwelling unit is located without the written consent of the Director of Public Works or his designee.

**Exhibits:**  [Exhibit A - Refuse Disposal Options.pdf](#) [1]

([2002-M-59](#) [2]: § 2; [1999-M-44](#) [3]: § 1; [1995-M-25](#) [4]: § 1; [1994-M-34](#) [5]: § 2; [1993-M-13](#) [6]: § 1 & 2)